

WARNS HOUSEWIVES NOT TO STORE FLOUR

Hartigan Recalls the Sugar Panic of the Fall of 1914.

LOOKS LIKE DEARER LOAF

Joseph Hartigan, Commissioner of Weights and Measures, sounded yesterday a note of warning against the creation of an abnormal demand for flour by housewives in fear of a wheat and flour famine might think it wise to lay in large quantities of flour at this time.

"The public may well keep in mind," he said, "the experience had in the months of August, September and October, 1914, in the panicky condition attending the rise in price of sugar. During those three months there was a frenzied demand for sugar, which forced the price far beyond normal. Housewives laid in considerable quantities for the future.

"Figures furnished by experts show that while there is great demand for wheat and flour for export, nevertheless the supply left on hand to be carried over until the summer crop of 1915 will be sufficient for the needs in home consumption of wheat and flour."

William Steinmetz, president of the United Master Bakers of New York, said yesterday: "There are well defined rumors that the price of flour will be raised to the extent of six cents next week, probably on Tuesday or Wednesday. Our association has taken no action."

A. J. Gunderson, vice-president of the New York State Bakers Association, said: "There is no change in the situation up to the time of our meeting. We are concerned we have adopted a policy of 'watchful waiting.' Rumors now going around are all gossip. All are rumors except the increase in price of flour. That is a reality. If the price of flour does not come down the price of bread will have to go up."

Commissioner Hartigan sent telegrams yesterday to the United States Attorney-General, the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Department of Commerce asking for first hand information as to the attitude of the Government regarding wheat and wheat prices and the threatened raise in the cost of bread.

The telegram to Attorney-General Gregory was in part as follows: "What action, if any, is the United States Government taking with a view to eliminating the alleged illegitimate speculative rise in the price of wheat? Would it not be advantageous to the public to stop illegitimate speculative wheat in transit between the States on the ground of public policy, prosecution to follow under Federal law? In your opinion should Federal law be enacted to prohibit speculation in foodstuffs on exchanges?"

The telegram to Secretary Houston asked: "In your opinion will present supply of wheat be sufficient to carry over to June 30, date of summer crop, and be available at reasonably moderate prices? In your opinion is there any reason for apprehension that the constant demand for wheat for foreign export will cause in any part of the country a wheat famine between now and the distribution of the harvest crop of 1915?"

Calls Apprehension "Undue."

In each telegram Commissioner Hartigan explained that the inquiry was made "with the purpose of allaying undue excitement in the public mind if the price of bread is generally increased and for the purpose of urging necessary legislation."

A representative of one of the largest baking concerns in the United States having stores and agencies in Eastern States advised Mr. Hartigan yesterday that on Saturday next it intends to raise the price of bread unless there is a drop in the price of wheat.

A representative of a large milling concern told the commissioner that railroads are experiencing much difficulty in clearing the wheat cars containing millions of bushels of wheat en route to the seaboard for export.

Wheat exports in November, 1914, amounted to 19,141,602 bushels, against 3,350,292 bushels in November, 1913. In November, 1914, 1,485,024 barrels of wheat flour were exported, against 1,273,125 barrels in the corresponding month a year before.

Commissioner John J. Dillon of the State Department of Foods and Markets sent the following telegram last night to President Wilson:

"The bakers of this State complain that they have been selling bread at a loss for some time and that unless relief is possible within a few days a material increase in the price of bread is inevitable. Investigation by this department indicates that the principal causes are outside the jurisdiction of this State.

"Speculation in future deliveries by men who never intend to own wheat has always worked a loss to the producer and an expense to the consumer, and seems clearly responsible for the present situation. The European demand does not furnish sufficient excuse for present conditions.

"The people of the State of New York would heartily approve a recommendation to Congress for enactment of a Federal law that would prohibit gambling in wheat and other food products."

WENDEL DEEDS UNDER FIRE.

Transfer Tax Attorney to Seek All Facts Concerning Them.

Francis A. Winslow, transfer tax attorney in Westchester county, who will have charge of the appraisal of the estate of John G. Wendel, announced yesterday that in view of the recent comment concerning the transfers of realty made by Wendel to his two sisters before his death and because of the decisions as to transfers of property made in contemplation of death, his inquiry into the circumstances of the transfers will be so searching that all the facts will be revealed.

"My work will be in the direction of seeing that the State receives all the tax to which it is entitled," said Mr. Winslow, "but my experience in transfer tax work has not shown me that the representatives of an estate are likely to seek influence the amount of the tax."

LEFT MILLIONS AND NO WILL.

Administration Letters Asked on Estate of Lamon V. Harkness.

An application for the Surrogate's Court yesterday for letters of administration on the estate of Lamon V. Harkness, father of Harry S. Harkness and former third vice-president of the Standard Oil Company, who died on January 17 last at Paines Ranch, near Hollister, Cal., shows that he left no will. His heirs, besides his son, are his two daughters, Mrs. Lila H. Edwards of Pittsburgh and Mrs. Myrtle K. Macomber of Paines Ranch.

The New York estate of Mr. Harkness is estimated at \$1,000,000 in personal property and \$200,000 in realty. He owned a large breeding establishment at Lexington, Ky., and he is said to have paid the largest income tax west of Chicago.

Macy's

R. H. Macy & Co.'s Attractions Are Their Low Prices.

Herald Square, B'dway, 34th to 35th St.

Lovely UNDERWEAR Of Crepe de Chine

A collection of the latest novelties, including tailored garments copied from the distinctive creations of Elise Poiret, and dainty lace trimmed models, in pale pink and white.

Envelope Chemise
Special \$1.79
(Illustrated at the right.)

Shadow lace is used for the deep yoke, top and shoulder straps of this dainty garment trimmed with tiny chiffon roses.

Net casings ribbon-run finish all edges.

Envelope Chemise
Special \$2.89
(Illustrated at left.)

Copied from a Poiret model; finely hemstitched and finished with tiny lace edges.

Other styles, elaborately trimmed with shadow lace; also "Marguerite" Chemise in tailored effect; at the same special price.

Camisoles
Special 69c
(Upper illustration.)

Deep lace band top, ribbon shoulder straps and tailored bow.

A model with lace top and cap sleeves, at 94c

CAMISOLES—Special \$1.89
(Lower illustration.)

Deep lace points back and front with wide ribbon band; very elaborate model of superior quality crepe de chine.

Crepe de Chine BLOOMERS—Special \$1.79
Flesh color and white; well reinforced and with elastic at waist and knee.

Night Gowns
Special \$2.96

Tailored effect with round yoke and wide sleeves hemstitched at edges. Daintily trimmed with rosebuds.

Night Gowns
Special \$4.24

Pointed yoke of shadow lace; crepe de chine or chiffon pleated sleeves, finished with tailored ribbon bows.

THIRD FLOOR, CENTRE, REAR.

FUR COATS and SETS Half Early Prices

Garments, Neckpieces and Muffs, in the season's most fashionable furs, have been sharply reduced for quick clearance.

Hudson Seal (dyed Muskrat)		Russian Kolinsky (Southern Sable)	
Early Season Price	Sale Price	Early Season Price	Sale Price
Scarfs, \$11.74	\$5.94	Scarfs, \$11.74	\$5.94
Muffs, \$19.74	\$9.74	Muffs, \$39.75	\$19.74
Muffs, \$33.75	\$16.74		
German Fitch		Natural Mink	
Scarfs, \$17.74	\$8.74	Scarfs, \$36.75	\$18.37
Muffs, \$49.75	\$24.74	Muffs, \$69.75	\$34.75
Hudson Seal (dyed Muskrat) Coats		Early Season Price	
			Sale Price
		\$89.75	\$43.75
Hudson Seal (dyed Muskrat) Coats		\$149.00	\$74.75
Persian Lamb Coats		\$129.00	\$64.75
Broadtail Persian Coats		\$269.00	\$134.00
Caracul Coats		\$74.75	\$36.75
Caracul Coats		\$139.00	\$69.75

THIRD FLOOR, 34TH STREET.

300 Crepe Negligees

In shades of Copenhagen blue, rose and lavender.

\$2.39

Fancy figured box lawn crepe of superior quality.

A pretty model with collars and cuffs of hemstitched organdie; accordion-pleated and on the latest fashionable lines.

THIRD FLOOR, 34TH STREET.

A Sale of Women's FINE GLOVES At Exceptional Price Advantages

Over 10,000 pairs of Gloves in this remarkable offering—purchased from an importer of high-grade merchandise at liberal price concessions owing to the condition of the market abroad. The woman who "buys ahead" will find this a money-saving opportunity.

Women's Imported White Glace Gloves		Women's Imported Lambskin Glace Gloves	
54c	69c	69c	59c
Macy's Usual Price, 69c		Macy's Usual Price, \$1.44	
Oversewn seams, round corners; two clasps; three-row crocheted embroidery. Tan with self or black embroidery; with self and black with self embroidery.		Full pique sewn, Paris Point Backs; gusseted fingers. Tan, Black, with self and Black with white embroidery. One clasp. The white have two clasps.	
Women's Elbow Length Mousquetaire Milane White Silk Gloves, 59c		Women's Imported Lambskin Glace Gloves, 69c	
Paris Point Backs; double finger tips; two clasps at wrist.		Oversewn seams; round corners; two clasps. White only, with three rows of crocheted embroidery.	
Women's 12-Button Length Mousquetaire Glace White Gloves, \$1.44		Women's White Washable Doeskin Gloves, 69c	
Made of real French Kid; three buttons and button-holes at wrist; oversewn seams; plain embroidered backs.		Made full pique. Double Draw Backs; one large clasp. Washable with soap and water.	

MAIN FLOOR, BROADWAY.

Furniture for Parlor and Living Room

Specially Featured in the GREAT FEBRUARY CASH SALE of Standard Quality Furniture

Luxuriously comfortable, finely upholstered Suites, Easy Chairs and Rockers have been specially purchased for this event. Comparison will prove that these values, quality for quality, cannot be equalled elsewhere.

Living-room Suites, Special, \$25.25
Macy's Price Would Be \$39.75.

Three pieces with mahogany finished frames—loose cushions in green panne; frames beautifully carved.

Three-Piece Leather Suites, Special, \$52.50
Macy's Price Would Be \$59.50.

Mahogany finished frames of very effective design. Finely upholstered in genuine brown Spanish leather.

Three-Piece Leather Suites, Special, \$37.50
Macy's Price Would Be \$42.50.

Mahogany finished frames, with shaped backs and arms—covered in genuine brown Spanish leather.

Leather Living Room Suite, Special, \$84.25
Macy's Usual Price Would Be \$124.00.

Large overstuffed pieces—as illustrated—the heavy mahogany finished legs finished with brass casters cups. Finely upholstered with the best grade of steel springs; covered in Spanish brown leather of superior quality—and with loose cushions.

Three-Piece Living Room Suite, Special, \$143.00
Handsome mahogany frames—of "Adam" period design; finely upholstered—in brown silk velour or genuine Spanish leather in russet brown.

Three-Piece Leather Suites, Special, \$75.25
Colonial frames—mahogany finished; upholstered with finely tempered steel springs; covered in brown Spanish leather.

Three-Piece Leather Suites, Special, \$102.00
Mahogany finished frames—in twist design; covered in genuine brown Spanish leather; cushion back on settee.

Three-Piece Parlor Suites, Special, \$30.25
Macy's Price Would Be \$34.25.

Mahogany finished frames, with panel backs and claw feet; loose cushions, covered in green plush.

Three-Piece Parlor Suites, Special, \$18.74
Macy's Price Would Be \$22.49.

Strongly constructed frames in highly polished mahogany finish—wood seats—with loose cushions, covered in green plush.

Genuine Leather Arm Chairs and Rockers, Special, \$14.89

Large and finely upholstered—with tufted back, pillow arms and loose ventilated cushion seat. Mahogany finished frames and excellent springs, in tapestry—each \$14.89.

Tapestry Arm Chairs, Special, \$37.50
Macy's Price Would Be \$56.25.

Loose cushion—wide arms, semi-cushion back; also "wing arm chairs," covered in fine tapestry, upholstered with tempered steel springs. Settee (to match) would be \$81.25—\$67.50.

Three-Piece Parlor Suites, Special, \$27.25
Graceful frames in polished mahogany finish; wood seats—with loose cushions in green plush.

Three-Piece Parlor Suites, Special, \$143.00
Finely carved mahogany frames of beautiful design. Richly upholstered in "Burgundy" velour.

Three-Piece Parlor Suites, Special, \$102.00
Mahogany frames, with "wing ends" of fine cane; finely upholstered and covered in blue silk velour.

Turkish Arm Chairs in Leather or Tapestry, Special, \$19.74
Mahogany finished frames of effective style; spring seats—with loose cushions in green panne.

Bookcase Sections Specially Priced.

In weathered oak, waxed oak, golden oak and mahogany finish; some plain; others loaded.

Woods	Special	Woods	Special
\$23.69	\$17.67	\$18.30	\$13.69
\$20.67	\$17.24	\$22.44	\$17.39
\$19.85	\$15.49	\$22.79	\$17.24
\$22.22	\$17.24	\$22.35	\$16.89
\$20.89	\$15.67	\$25.57	\$18.89
\$18.89	\$14.24	\$22.49	\$16.89
\$28.11	\$21.24	\$18.89	\$14.24
\$27.92	\$23.24	\$19.24	\$14.49
\$19.95	\$17.24	\$22.45	\$16.89
\$27.19	\$20.67	\$25.42	\$19.24
\$25.50	\$19.24	\$18.95	\$14.24
\$29.37	\$23.49	\$20.49	\$15.49
\$26.37	\$21.24	\$19.89	\$14.94
\$29.15	\$22.24	\$21.69	\$16.24
\$25.50	\$19.24	\$25.17	\$18.89
\$27.28	\$20.49	\$27.29	\$20.49
\$22.44	\$16.89	\$22.93	\$17.34
\$30.06	\$22.49	\$20.10	\$15.24
\$18.45	\$15.67		

SIXTH FLOOR.

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Herald Square, B'dway, 34th to 35th St.

Juniors' Tailored SUITS—SPRING MODEL \$23.74

In navy blue serge or shepherd check worsted, the smartly tailored Suit illustrated, is of very jaunty style. The blouse coat gathered at the back into a high belt falls in rippling folds over the hips and at the front is cut on short "bolero" lines. Collar and cuffs are of white pique; inset and piped with the scarlet silk with which the Coat is lined. Buttons add an effective finish.

Double box pleats are introduced in panel fashion at the sides of the very flaring skirt. Sizes 13, 15 and 17 years.

Tweed Suits—Smart "Sport" Model—\$24.74
Mannish tweeds in gray and brown colorings are used for these strictly tailored Suits. The belted Coat, slightly Empire, has large patch pockets and is peau de cygne lined; the flaring skirt has a fitted yoke. Sizes 14, 16 and 18 years.

Spring Top Coats—Empire Model, \$23.74
Navy blue serge or shepherd check worsted Coats, in clever new model, effectively strapped with black velvet ribbon and piped with black satin; from the high fitted yoke girder falls a very flaring skirt. Lined with scarlet peau de cygne. Sizes 14, 16 and 18 years.

THIRD FLOOR, 35TH STREET.

Semi-Made Plaited Skirt New Spring Model, \$3.89

The accompanying illustration gives you but an idea of the smart style of these semi-made Skirts. Plaited all around, with deep rows of shirring at the waist line; only requires to be sewn together to complete the Skirt. Made of fine all-wool Imported French Serge in Navy Blue and Black. Shown in Dress Goods Department, Second Floor.

32-inch Snowdrift Washable Corduroy (yard), 49c
Macy's Usual Price 69c

White corduroy will be very popular this season for suits and separate skirts.

46-inch All-Wool Costume Serge (yard), 68c
Macy's Usual Price 89c

Made by one of America's best makers. New Spring colors. Plenty of Black, and two shades of Navy Blue.

SECOND FLOOR, 35TH STREET.

Silk Velour Portieres Special (pair) \$21.89

If made for an individual order the cost would be \$32.50 pair.

These Portieres are made of our usual \$2.89 quality of Silk Velour, using 10 yards of 50-inch Silk Velour to the pair. Made exactly the same as for a special order, in the French style with open edges and bottom. One to four pairs of a color—but a very wide range of color combinations, as follows:

Bronze and Myrtle
Gold and Rose
Subarite and Empire
Apple and Cerise
Tobacco and Delft Blue.

FOURTH FLOOR, REAR.

11¢ 11¢

New Jersey State Souvenir Spoons

Guaranteed Extra Heavy Silver Plate on 18% Nickel Silver Base

These Spoons are specially made for R. H. Macy & Co. by Wallace & Sons Mfg. Co., well-known silversmiths and makers of the celebrated "1835 Wallace" ware, and Guaranteed by the Makers.

Another beautiful spoon will follow next week.

New York and Colorado State Souvenir Spoons on sale, 11c each.

MAIN FLOOR, BROADWAY.

An Important Sale of Black and Colored DRESS SILKS Plain and Novelty Weaves from Leading Foreign and American Looms Very Specially Priced

Months of planning and purchasing have made these values possible. Seldom even at Macy's have such remarkable economies been offered. The world's most famous Silks are represented in the collection, including productions of:

C. J. Bonnet et Cie, of Lyons, France; Winterthur & Co., of Switzerland, and Marchioness Black Silks, manufactured expressly for R. H. Macy & Co.

COLORED DRESS SILKS From Leading American Manufacturers		
Crepe Meteor, Special, yard, \$1.19 A complete assortment of colors, including new street and evening shades. Excellent quality. Width 40 inches.	Crepe de Chine, Special, yard, 89c In choice evening shades, including flesh and white. Lustrous finish and fine weave. Width 40 inches.	Washable Silks, Special, yard, 54c In a variety of very effective colored stripes on white grounds. Width 36 inches.
Chiffon Taffeta, Special, yard, 99c Of brilliant lustre and soft, rich quality; all desirable street and evening shades. Width 36 inches.	Lining Satins, Special, yard, 89c Pure dye; excellent weight and lustre. All desirable colors and white. Width 36 inches.	White Habutai, Special, yard, 48c Pure white, soft and lustrous; perfectly washable. Finer quality, 58c. Width 36 inches.
RADIUM TAFFETA (Width 40 inches) Very Special, \$1.24 A most fashionable silk for the coming season, because so admirably adapted to the new modes. Very soft, but brilliant in lustre and fine in weave. A complete assortment of street and evening colors.		
Chiffon Faille, Special, yard, \$1.49 Excellent quality; very fashionable for the coming season. Width 40 inches.	Chiffon Taffeta, Special, yard, 94c Very lustrous finish; excellent weight and weave. Width 40 inches.	Radium Taffeta, Special, yard, \$1.24 A very soft lustrous weave—in the height of fashion. Width 40 inches.

SECOND FLOOR, 35TH STREET.